

JUST A FORMAL CALL

Grover Sends for the Young Hawaiian Princess.

NOTHING OFFICIAL IN IT

Washington Does Not Know What to Make of the Handling of the Hawaii Matter.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Beauty second important point in the Hawaiian tangle this morning, when Private Secretary Thurston, in behalf of President Cleveland, called on Princess Kaiulani and her guardian and told them that Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland would receive them unofficially at 5:30 o'clock this evening. This move is quite significant at this juncture, when the Hawaiian treaty has been withdrawn, and there is much mystery as to the cause of the action of the administration.

The situation is very unusual as there are three distinct delegations here, each claiming to represent Hawaii. Prince David and the deposed queen's representatives are at the Richmond; Princess Kaiulani and her suite are at the Arlington, while Commissioner Thurston with his associates representing those who depose the queen and set up a new government are at Wornley's.

Flies Officereers.

But the pretty princess has secured the first favor of the new administration, although Mr. Thurston was careful to state in his invitation that Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland would receive the princess "unofficially."

Princess Kaiulani is a tall, slender brunette. She has regular, finely-cut features, gleaming eyes, a winning smile and a rich olive complexion. Her five years in England have given her the air of an English girl. She has a dignity that is to her years, though she is not quite 18.

Reports are current that Don M. Dickinson may be sent at the head of a commission to Hawaii to shed light on this important question. The report is widely printed, although it is not believed that Mr. Dickinson would undertake a mission of this character unless urgently requested by the president.

Mr. Dickinson has gone to Fort Monroe to get away from the office seekers. Charmed by Mrs. Cleveland.

At 10 o'clock this afternoon President and Mrs. Cleveland accorded a special reception to Princess Kaiulani, the meeting taking place in the blue parlor. The princess was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Davies, their daughter and a lady friend. The call was entirely of a social nature and lasted probably a quarter of an hour. The princess was charmed with the cordiality of the reception accorded them, the ladies being captivated by the pleasing manners of the wife of the president, and the princess said subsequently that Mrs. Cleveland was the only lady that she ever fell in love with.

During the day Mr. Davies, accompanied by the princess or any of his family, called on Secretary Gresham. This visit, like that to the White house, was a purely social one. Paul Newman, editor of the queen's paper, the Hawaiian Standard, also called on Secretary Gresham during the afternoon.

Gossip as to the personnel of the commission that will probably be appointed to visit the Hawaiian islands, includes the names of Judge Martin V. Montgomery of Michigan, chief of the Columbia supreme bench; General Schottel, Admiral Brown and Capt. H. B. Wilson.

General Schottel was a member of the commission that visited Hawaii many years ago, and Admiral Brown's chief cruise was to the Hawaiian islands. Captain Howard is now the Marine Corps navy yard. He is said to be particularly fitted for the mission by reason of his service in Hawaii and naval officers generally agree that he is one of the best equipped men in the service for the position.

TRUST WILL REORGANIZE

School Furniture People Will Beat the State of Illinois.

CHICAGO, March 13.—The investigation by the senate committee into the charges against the alleged school furniture trust, commenced in this city today. The members of the committee already hint that its report will declare against the legality of the organization and recommend that the state charter which it received, be annulled. Meanwhile, it is stated that the trust is preparing for such a result, having held a meeting Friday night at which it was determined to reorganize under the laws of New Jersey.

F. A. Holbrook, president of the United States company, testified that the organization of the company it purchased the entire content of the product of the Burlington company of Burlington, Iowa, the Snyder of Ohio, the Wabash of Indiana, the Grand Rapids and Hattiesburg of Michigan, the Manitowish of Wisconsin, and many others. After the admission of Mr. Holbrook that the contribution was made to increase the profits in the furniture business, the committee adjourned until Friday.

SENATE COMMITTEES

The Democrats Turn the Lids Over to Republicans.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The senate democratic caucus committee opened its entire afternoon in the final arrangement of the list of committee under the reorganization. The list will not be made public until it is approved by the caucus and turned over to the republican minority in order that the remaining places on committees may be filled. The members are pledged not to divulge the results of their work until the report is submitted and they say that meantime all statements touching the composition of the committees must be suppressed and, as is apparent from the lists published today, very largely inaccurate.

GUVED BY MR. TELLER

Senators Disagree on the Session's Powers.

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An Iowa Laborer Drowned in the Prevailing Flood.

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The Waters Fall Fifteen Inches at Muir, but Rise Rapidly at Grand Haven.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 13.—The ice in the Mississippi river began running here yesterday morning. During the day three large icebergs, to Park Bluff, were carried away. The river is rapidly rising and further damage is feared. At Sioux City the ice went out of the Missouri river yesterday carrying away the trestle bridge and nearly destroying the Pacific coast line bridge. A gage below the city showed a rise of several feet during the day.

MINNESOTA'S BLIZZARD.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 13.—A heavy snow storm, accompanied with high winds, nearly, if not quite, equal to the storm of last night, is prevailing throughout the northwestern part of the state, including Minnesota and Wisconsin.

TOO HIGH FREIGHT RATES.

A Southern Road Breaks the Interstate Commerce Law.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 13.—The United States district attorney filed a bill in the United States circuit court today in the name of the interstate commerce commission against the Louisville & Nashville railroad company. The bill states that to July 1, 1891, informal complaints had been made to the commission that the defendant had ignored the act in making unreasonable charges for transportation of coal. The bill recites that the commission found that the company had violated some of the provisions of the interstate commerce act and notwithstanding the issuance of an order the company had refused to obey it. The petition asks for an injunction pending the settlement of the case.

BOOMERS ARE WILD.

They May Yet Be Kept Out of the Cherokee Strip.

GUTHRIE, O. T., March 13.—The Cherokee strip agitators have just discovered that should the Cherokee decide not to accept the terms of the strip bill, passed by congress, that the strip cannot be opened by the president. This has caused a great commotion among them, and a delegation will at once go to Tallahassee to work with the Indian council. For several days a number of cattlemen who have been up and down the river have been in conference here and it is believed that they are planning to defeat the ratification of the bill by the Cherokee and thus secure the strip for pasture for another term of years. There is considerable excitement over the matter, and the local press declares that should the bill be rejected by the Indians they will move on the strip in a body and stay there and shoot ever after in the strip.

FED THEM ARSENIC.

Eva Ross the Post-Mortem Slayer of Mother and Brother.

MADISON, Ind., March 13.—Albert Ross died this afternoon. He is the third victim of the unknown poisoner whose work has been directed against the family of Mrs. Clark. Eva Ross died last Monday and Mrs. Clarkson, her mother, died Thursday. Albert, her brother, died today. All had the same symptoms. In the stomach of each one arsenic was found in deadly quantities. The question that now agitates the community is: "Who did the murder and how was the poison administered?"

The facts as far as they have been disclosed, point to Eva as a suicide and as the post-mortem slayer of her mother and brother. Eva is 19 years old. Her lot had been a hard one and she was discontented. She is known to have purchased arsenic March 3.

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The association has a capital stock of \$50,000, which was owned by 123 workmen, seventy-five of whom were employed in the factory. Treasurer Kleinmann stated tonight that he estimated the losses on furniture at \$25,000, machinery \$15,000 and building \$30,000. The total insurance is \$57,000, making a net loss of about \$30,000.